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Special Musical Service On February 6th — — L. Weiner and S. Rosowsky To Be Featured

New Officers Elected At Annual Meeting

The Sixty-sixth annual meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue, which took place on Sunday evening, January 11th, saw the inauguration of Dr. E. D. Friedman as President, Mr. Samuel Kogan as Vice-President; and Mr. Benjamin Sack and Mr. Ezra Cohen as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees. The trustees added to the Board, who were elected at this meeting, were Judge B. A. Botein, D. Leonard Cohen, Harold H. Levin, George Lyttle, Arthur Ochs, Judge Simon Rifkind, Milton Weill, and Melvin Krulewitch. Pursuant to a new policy of having a rotating Board, which will utilize fresh talent annually, and in order not to lose the valuable services of those who were not re-named to the Board, the former Board members were named to the Advisory Council.

To those who were present for the dinner in the Vestry, and the meeting and reports which followed, it was a heart-warming evidence of the good fellowship and cordial feeling that exist in the synagogue. Judge Botein, the outgoing chairman of the Board, conducted the proceedings with grace and charm. He summarized briefly the reports of the Chair-

On Friday evening, February 6, 1948 a Special Musical Service will be heard at the Park Avenue Synagogue in observance of "Jewish Music Festival Month" (January 24th to February 27th).



Salomo Rosowsky Lazar Weiner

men of the various committees, all of whom had submitted written reports, and dispensed humorous and appreciative words to the members of the Board whose cooperation he considered so valuable in the course of his five years of administration.

Because of the special importance of the reports on the School Board and on the Ritual Committee, Mr. Godwin and Mr. Oseas made their respective reports

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A *Sabbath Eve Service*, composed by Mr. Lazar Weiner, will be performed by Cantor David Putterman and the combined choirs of Central Synagogue and the Park Avenue Synagogue directed by the composer, with Isidore Geller at the organ.

Professor Salomo Rosowsky is the guest lecturer at this special service and will speak on the theme "Our Contemporary Liturgical Music and the Biblical Cantillations". Our speaker, widely known as a composer-musicologist-teacher, was born in 1879 in Riga, Latvia, the son of the famous Cantor Boruch Leib Rosowsky. He is a pupil of Rimsky-Korsakoff, Glatzounoff, Nikisch and Ossip Gabrilowitsch. Since 1925 he has been residing in Palestine where he is Professor of Theory and Composition at the Palestine Conservatory in Jerusalem. At present he is visiting the United States and is guest lecturer for a special course at the New School for Social Research.

He has composed scores for plays performed by *Habima* and *Ohel* and has devoted the past twenty years to study and research of Biblical Cantillations. His book *The Cantillation of the Five Books of Moses* will soon be published by the Columbia University Press.

Lazar Weiner, a composer-pianist-conductor, was born in Russia in 1897 and began his musical career at an early age. When he was 14 years old he entered the Kiev Conservatory of Music. In 1914 he arrived in the United States and became the pupil of Robert Russell Bennett, Frederick Jacobi, and Joseph Shillinger.

Among the various types of music that Mr. Weiner has composed are orchestral and choral works, chamber music, can-

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sabbath Eve Friday, January 30th, 8:30 p.m.

Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer will preach on "America's Role in the Palestine Crisis—American Jewry"

Sabbath Eve Friday, February 6th, 8:30 p.m.

Professor Salomo Rosowsky will speak on "Our Contemporary Liturgical Music and the Biblical Cantillations"

Sabbath Eve Friday, February 13th, 8:30 p.m.

Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer will preach

Sabbath Morning Saturday Mornings, 10:00 a.m.

Bachurim Group at 10:00 a.m.; Junior Congregation Service at 11:00 a.m.

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From the Desk of Rabbi Steinberg

RABBI Kertzer and I have of late been sharing an exciting and edifying experience. We have been meeting at regular intervals to read and speak modern Hebrew. Our text has been Moshe Smilanski's *Bnai Arav*, a collection of folk tales of life among the Arabs. Our instructor is Samuel Edelman, a charming, cultivated young Palestinian school teacher who is doing graduate work in education at Teachers College, Columbia University.

The experience has been a humbling one for me—and I think for Rabbi Kertzer as well. Both of us have read, studied and spoke Hebrew for many years. I rather imagine that we have been in the habit of thinking well of ourselves as Hebraists. Now we are discovering that there is all the difference in the world between a language which is a matter of book-learning and one which is an integral part of life; between a language of the past, fixed and finished and one of the present and future, which is forever creating new words and expressions and forever investing old modes of speech with novel connotations and colors.

We have little difficulty with basic vocabulary. We know the root-words of the Hebrew tongue pretty thoroughly. Our problems arise from shadings in the use of words, from recently coined idioms, and, most of all, from the fact that though we understand a word when we hear or read it, we find ourselves less agile than we should be, or expected to

be, when we try to summon it up from memory to express our own ideas. Nor are we made any the happier to discover that the word we groped for and failed to find is one we knew all the time.

Not that we never do well. There are times, sometimes protracted, when we speak with a fluency and articulateness that is not only gratifying but leaves us amazed at ourselves. Alas, as ever, pride goeth before a fall. Sooner or later, and generally sooner, the well of confidence, competence and inspiration runs dry; the time of hesitation and stammering has returned.

To all of which the proper response is, of course, more Hebrew conversation and reading, and then more still, or, perfect solution of all, a sojourn in Palestine. There and so, and perhaps only there and so, can a book tongue come alive for and in us.

And, I suppose, that too is the answer to still another disability from which Rabbi Kertzer, having received his basic training in a modern Talmud Torah is much freer than I—that linguistic disease of so many generations of Jewish students: carelessness as to accents, vowel quantities and pronunciation.

My Hebrew, even when it comes fluently, is a medley of all the elocutionary failings of all my teachers—my father who, though he studied in the best Yeshivah of Lithuania, including Volozhin, or perhaps just because he did so, has always looked with condescension on grammar and accents as matters fit only for assimilated Jews incapable of working out an involved argument in the Talmud; the Yiddish-speaking Orthodox rabbis who launched me on the sea of rabbinic literature and who, staggeringly learned as they were, were proud to be innocent of rhetorical niceties; the professors at the Seminary who knew Hebrew grammar perfectly but disdained to trouble over it.

Echoes of all these sound in my Hebrew speech, and also of Palestinians whom I have met, with whom I have conversed. To a student of Jewish history my pronunciation should be interesting; it's got something of everything in it.

Our weekly meetings have then been a salutary lesson to me. But most of all they have been a revelation of the ingenuity of Palestine's Jews who have built not only cities and farms but out

Committee Participation Stressed by Benj. Sack

The new Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Benjamin Sack, has inaugurated his administration with a policy that should be of interest to all the Congregation. In a letter to the members, he has asked everyone to participate in the administration of the Synagogue by taking an active part on one or more committees.

In most organizations, the entire work devolves on a few, while the rest of the membership sits back and does nothing. This is your opportunity to broaden the democratic base of our institution; this is your opportunity to get to know your fellow congregants, by joining them in doing a piece of work for the Synagogue!

The Board is particularly eager to enlist the services of younger members of the Congregation, to enable them to obtain the necessary experience so that eventually they too may take their place on the Board of Trustees, and as officers of the Synagogue.

If you have not already done so, notify the Chairman of the Board at once on which committee you'd like to work. Every effort will be made to accommodate as many members as possible on the committees of their choice.

Become an active participant; join a committee now!

of ancient materials, a rich, vital language as well.

At our last gathering, we concentrated on the vocabulary of the theatre. There are words in Hebrew for every dramatic object, situation and contingency, from "lighting effects" and "decor" through "first night" to "season pass". This too is the handiwork of creativity, and of the first order.

Nor can I help but see in our experience of modern Hebrew a symbol of the great truth: that all world Jewry—rabbis and laymen, informed and ignorant—have much to learn from Palestinian Jewry. Not a language alone, but a total Hebraic culture. Already and so soon is the Homeland fulfilling the promises made concerning it: that it would afford cultural and spiritual sustenance and inspiration to all the Jews and Jewries of the diaspora.

—MILTON STEINBERG

Committee Reports Presented At Annual Synagogue Meeting

Ritual Committee

The summary of the Ritual Committee report submitted by Mr. I. B. Oseas, Chairman, follows:

The Ritual Committee has recommended to the Board of Trustees the adoption of the Reconstructionist Prayer Book as the regular Sabbath Prayer Book of the Congregation, with the following additional provisions:

That a prefatory statement be printed to be pasted in the front fly-leaf of the Prayer Book indicating revisions in the Prayer Book in the direction of the tradition, which are desired and will be followed by our Congregation.

The Silverman Prayer Book is to continue in use for Passover, Shevouth and Succoth; with a supply always on hand at the rear auditorium for any worshiper who wishes to recite the full traditional Sabbath morning or Sabbath eve worship text.

The Committee formally approved the use of invitation cards for persons being honored with *Aliyoth*, and authorized the procedure recommended that on the occasion of a *Bar Mitzvah* or *Bas Mitzvah* the parents of the child shall supply the Chief Usher with a list of persons to be called to the *Torah*; but on the morning of the *Bar Mitzvah* some member of the family shall stand with the Chief Usher in the rear of the auditorium so that he may designate to the usher who are the persons to be honored.

The Committee authorized the Rabbis and the Cantor to prepare a schedule of *Haftorath* indicating where departures from the usual readings have been made, and also authorized the reading of *Leviticus XIX* rather than XVIII at the *Minchah* service on the Day of Atonement.

Membership in this committee is to be enlarged to twelve or more members, including women, these members to be as broadly representative of the diverse sentiments of the Congregation as possible.

The Ritual Committee will endeavor to explore methods for bringing information concerning Jewish ritual to the Congregation as a whole through the media of the School Board and the Committee on Adult Education.

School Board

The year which closes with the issuance of this report of the School Board has brought in its train substantial changes in the Religious School according to Mr. Saul Godwin, Chairman of the School Board.

The most far-reaching of these changes is the inauguration of required Hebrew instruction for the boys and girls in the Religious School between the ages of 10 and 13 and the installation of a tutorial system to help effectuate this change.

In other words children of the age groups of 10, 11, and 12 are expected to attend the Religious School only on Sunday morning as well as two additional sessions during the week, these to be devoted to Hebrew instruction. For children prevented from participating in this expanded program, arrangements have been made for home instruction under the supervision of the School.

In addition to the changes in the Religious School there have been inevitable upward revisions in the Religious School's tuition schedule due to the increased cost of operation.

The difficulties under which the School labors in the matters of a physical plant are of long standing. At this time the urgency for new quarters in which to create a center not only for the Religious School, but for other activities of the Synagogue as well, is immediate and compelling. It is hoped that this problem will be solved before the next Annual Congregational Meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Adult Education Committee

Mr. Harold H. Levin, Chairman of the Adult Education Committee reported on the departures in its program which have been initiated since the last congregational meeting.

During the first half of 1947 the courses in Jewish history and symposia were conducted regularly. They have since been augmented by home study courses at the suggestion of Rabbi Steinberg.

A subcommittee was appointed to work out home study courses on various subjects. Three groups are now studying *Basic Judaism* at the home of new members, another is studying Judaism and

Psychiatry with Dr. Mortimer Ostrow of the Mt. Sinai Hospital, while Mr. Emanuel Rackman is conducting a course for lawyers on Jewish law.

Though it was planned for the 1947-48 season to emphasize the home study courses, nonetheless a series of lectures on recent trends in Orthodox, Reformed and Conservative Judaism as well as Reconstructionism was conducted on four successive Monday evenings. The social, political and economic problems of Palestine are being discussed by authorities in the field as part of the current series of Monday evening meetings at the Synagogue.

The Committee also sponsors guest lectures for Friday evening services and will continue to sponsor the music evenings planned and conducted by Cantor Putterman.

Sisterhood

In its annual report, the Sisterhood through its President, Mrs. Juliet S. Levin is proud to say that it has made further progress:

With a membership of 477, which includes many newcomers to the Congregation and a long list of accomplishments well done, it has good reason to expect the coming year to be most promising.

A summation of Sisterhood activities during the past year reveals successful sponsorship of the *Hanukah* and *Purim* Parties, as well as a fine job of decorating the Synagogue on the High Holy Days.

In accordance with a previously established precedent, the Sisterhood contributed the sum of \$2,500 to the Synagogue. In addition, substantial donations amounting to more than \$4,000 were made to various Jewish causes and charitable organizations.

Through the unceasing efforts of its sewing group, some 550 articles were donated to the Red Cross and Hadassah. Supplementing these, were gifts of other clothing to UNNRA and clothing and canned foods to S O S.

The lecture program, arranged by Mrs. Leah Shapiro, which reached the half-way mark this month, deals with various

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phases of Zionism under the overall title of "Road to Human Dignity". Among the speakers heard thus far have been Rabbi Arthur Lelyweld and Mrs. Rose Halpern.

One of the highlights of the past season's activities was the annual Musicale and Donor Luncheon, which was held at the Hotel Astor on March 26th, attended by over five hundred people.

Junior League

The summary of the Junior League report as submitted by Dudley L. Greenstein, President follows:

The most noteworthy of the past year's achievements of the Junior League was the fact that many of the League's members took advantage of the opportunity of becoming members of the Synagogue itself, with the opening of the Vestry for High Holy Day worship. Thus besides the Junior League being an integral part of the Synagogue, over half the members are now members of the Synagogue in their own name.

The program of the Junior League is varied, having three primary aspects, which are very much inter-related. These three are: the charitable; the cultural; and the social. In the past year the League has held closed meetings for business or sociability; open meetings with symposia, lectures, or entertainment; study group meetings; dances; and outings.

In the past year we have given \$1000 to *Haganah* and \$1,000 to the United Jewish Appeal and have already ordered from Palestine, a special *Hanukah menorah* to be presented to the Synagogue in the near future.

The Junior League has become very active in the newly reorganized Young People's League of the United Synagogue of America with our members holding both national and regional offices. By bringing our group into closer contact with other similar youth groups in Conservative congregations, it has helped to make for a better understanding and wider insight into Jewish problems on the whole and as they affect young people in particular.

Our members are also active in Synagogue activities. The Staff of the BULLE-

TIN is almost completely made up of Junior Leaguers and in addition three of its members are on the Committee of Adult Education.

The Junior League is not only doing much to build up the younger membership of the Synagogue from within, but through its affairs, has gained a very high city-wide reputation for the Synagogue among the younger Jewish population; and is exerting an influence, largely in the name of the Synagogue, on the Jewish young people nationally through the Young People's League.

Reminder

Some of those who have answered the Chairman's letter urging that they participate actively in synagogue life by affiliating themselves with one of the working committees failed to sign their answers. If you think you may not have signed your name to the answer, do get in touch with the synagogue office!

Music Service

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tatas, music for theater, and numerous songs. He has organized and conducted many choral groups and is at present the director of the Workmen's Circle Chorus of New York and of the Central Synagogue choir. This last group is heard every Sunday morning on the American Broadcasting Company networks in the "Message of Israel." His *Sabbath Eve Service* which is being heard on February 6th, will be presented from manuscript, and was first performed during a broadcast in February, 1947.

This special Sabbath Eve Service is just one part of the general observance of Jewish Music Festival Month by the Park Avenue Synagogue and its constituent organizations. The Junior League is participating in an evening of dances on February 1st under the leadership of Delakova and Berk, foremost exponents of Palestinian dances in this country. Special musical programs have also been arranged for the Religious School.

New Officers

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in summary. The other chairmen's reports consisted of variations of Mr. Levin's report for the Adult Education Committee: "Report filed". Rabbi Kertzer also added an explanation of the adoption of the new Reconstructionist Prayer book for Sabbath worship. The annual meeting ratified the recommendation for the new prayer book.

In accepting his post as President, Dr. Friedman read a scholarly statement of his position as a Jew, which proved so interesting that it was decided to publish it in a future issue of THE BULLETIN. In turning the meeting over, Judge Botein spoke with pleasure of the fact that he is being succeeded by Mr. Sack, and suggested humorously that in his honor, the synagogue be renamed "Sack's—Park Avenue". Mr. Milton Weill, who had served ten years as vice-chairman of the Board, spoke with much warmth and enthusiasm about his successor, Mr. Ezra Cohen.

It remained for Rabbi Steinberg to express the synagogue's tribute to Mr. Jacob Friedman, who is retiring as President after thirty years, and to Mr. Charles Weill, retiring as Vice President also after thirty years. Both, he said, have left an indelible impression on the Synagogue, with their dignity, their high standards, their faithfulness, their loyalty. Mr. Sanford Cohen, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, and the Annual Meeting Committee, presented beautifully illuminated scrolls to both on behalf of the Synagogue, as a token of appreciation for their work. Rabbi Steinberg welcomed the new officers and wished them well in continuing the good work of their predecessors, in maintaining a democratic institution.

Young Marrieds Meet

The last meeting of Young Marrieds "B" was held on Tuesday evening, January 20th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Weinberg. The discussion was centered on the "Jewish Religious Scene" and the adjustment of young American Jews to traditional Judaism.

The last meeting of Young Marrieds "A" was held on Wednesday evening, January 28th at the Sanford Cohen residence. The subject of the evening centered on the current problem of "Defending the Borders of the Jewish State". Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cohen acted as hosts for the evening.

Symposium To Follow Adult Lecture Series

In the series entitled "Blueprint for the new Jewish State" which the Adult Education Committee is sponsoring, Mr. Sholom Gelber, of the Palestine Economic Corporation will speak on "The Economic Structure" on Monday evening, February 2nd at 8.30 p.m. This will be the fourth lecture, the previous speakers having been Dr. Benjamin Aksin, Rabbi Abraham Haselkorn, and Dr. Ernest Simon.

To complete the series, a symposium has been planned for Monday evening, February 9th, at 8.30 on the subject "The Relationship Between American Jewry and the new Judaea". Prominent members of the synagogue have been asked to participate along the following lines, which will undoubtedly arouse much controversy:

- 1) Shall the American Zionist organizations close up shop now that the Jewish State has been established?
- 2) Will the new Jewish state involve a conflict of loyalties?
- 3) Shall we look to Palestine to settle our religious problems?
- 4) What will be the effect of the new Judaea on the American Jewish community?

All members of the synagogue, whether they attended the series or not, are invited to come to the Symposium and to participate in the discussion to follow. This promises to be one of the most provocative symposia the Committee has sponsored.

For Your Information

The Rabbinical Assembly of America has recently designated its forthcoming Annual Convention to be held in Chicago during the month of May. The Chairman of the Convention is Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer.

We wish to advise boys and girls between the ages of 16 and 17 that a new club is being organized especially for them. The first meeting and social will be held on Saturday, February 14th at 8:30 P.M. For further developments, consult Rabbi Arfa at the Synagogue.

The Synagogue would like to express its thanks to Dr. and Mrs. Paul Aschner for the fine organ now in the Vestry.

Delakova, Berk Lead Jr. League Folk Dancing

Katya Delakova and Fred Berk, the world renowned dancers will appear before the Junior League on Sunday evening, February 1st in the Vestry, for an evening of Palestinian dancing. These two dancers have travelled the world over since their early youth, performing on the concert stages of Europe and America, before acclaiming audiences.

Both Katya Delakova and Fred Berk have received diplomas from the Staats Academy for Music and Drama in Vienna, an institution internationally known for the education and training of creative dance artists. In 1934, Mr. Berk was awarded the Gold Medal in the International Dance Competition held in Vienna.

However, instead of giving a recital, Delakova and Berk are going to teach the Junior Leaguers and their friends the various Hebrew and Palestinian dances that have become so popular. This is an opportunity that all Junior League members will not want to miss. Because of the nature of the evening and so that everyone present will take part in the evening's activities, it is necessary to limit the attendance to no more than 50. Those non-Junior Leaguers, who wish to attend will please contact Miss Jo Levy. Remember, everyone who attends will be expected to dance. So let's all come prepared (i.e. the girls better wear low heels).

The January issue of *Commentary* carries a review of Rabbi Steinberg's *Basic Judaism* by Irving Kristal, its assistant Editor. The review is entitled "How Basic is Basic Judaism?—A Comfortable Religion for an Uncomfortable World".

The Parents Association announces that children of our religious school who are interested in Scouting will be welcomed into the well-established troops at the Y.M.H.A. on 92nd Street. At the present time, it is not feasible to establish separate troops for our students. There are three Boy Scout troops at the "Y", meeting Mondays, Tuesdays, or Wednesdays. These boys have access to superb outdoor tracts in Westchester, N. Y. and Alpine, N. H. for all sorts of outings and sports.

School Highlights

In a new departure for the Junior Congregation, one of the classes of the Religious School will conduct the Sabbath Services on January 31st. The members of this group, Class 7Y, who will participate in the morning service include Robert Rifkind, who will act as Preacher, Elizabeth Kaplan, Karen Kudin, Sylvia Schneider, Ann Ehrenthal, and Carl Seligson.

The music activities group of the Religious School has been organized into a club and at the last meeting selected a name: "The Jewish Songmakers of The Park Avenue Synagogue." Karen Kudin is President of the club; Vice President is Ruth Kertzer; Kay Kudin and Joseph Samsky will serve as Secretaries.

Jewish Arbor Day was celebrated by the Religious School on Sunday morning, January 25th. A special program included a dramatic presentation under the direction of Miss Yvette Davis and Mrs. Muriel Schulweis. A special *Tu B'shevat* dance was presented by the dance group under the direction of Miss Salome Bat Ari and a choral presentation by the Songmakers Club.

Plans for Confirmation are now in full swing, with an eye to June 13th—the day of Confirmation. The students have been organized into a group which will make plans for the year and they will write their own presentation instead of utilizing one already published. The secretaries of the class are Ellen Bailyn and Jonathan Steinberg. The group is also considering the publication of a year book. The fifteen members of the class are: Ellen Bailyn, Richard Druss, Eve Ferester, Muriel Gold, Gerald Goterer, Barbara Grad, Eva Isaak, Evan Janovic, Elinor Kahn, Eva Konig, Barbara Pearce, Nina Miller, Naomi Ostriker, Jonathan Steinberg, and Helene Yager.

Junior Congregation has instituted a training course for Cantors which meets on Saturday morning at 10:00 a.m. before regular services. All those who wish to participate in this course are invited to attend.

Parents' Association

On Wednesday, January 14th, the Parents Association had as its guest, Dr. Abraham Franzblau, Dean of the School of Religious Education of the Hebrew University, also a physician and psychologist, who spoke on the topic "Emotional Stability: Does Religious Education Help or Hinder It?" Dealing with the Jewish aspect of emotional stability, Dr. Franzblau emphasized that the Jewish religion is above all a healthy philosophy, progressive rather than puristic; aggressive against evil rather than resigned; racial rather than purely personal. If a parent is well-adjusted to his Judaism he will pass along a positive attitude towards his child, thus doing much to insure the child's emotional stability.

After the talk, the Hospitality Committee offered refreshments to the members and the Parents' Association of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism who were their guests.

The final lecture of the series in Parent Education, offered by the United Parent-Teachers Association of Jewish Schools will be given on Wednesday, February 18th, at 8:30 P.M. at 2 West 70th Street, the Spanish-Portuguese Synagogue. The general public is invited. The speaker will be Dr. Ben M. Edidin, Assistant Director of the Jewish Education Committee, and his topic, "Home, Community, and the Jewish Child."

Will You Attend?

Saturday, January 31st, 8:00 p.m. —
Reyouth Club. Rabbi Morris Kertzer, speaker.

Monday, February 2nd, 8:30 p.m. —
Adult Education Lecture — "The Economic Structure" — Mr. Sholom Gelber, speaker — Vestry.

Monday, February 2nd, 7:30 p.m. —
Conversational Hebrew Course — Vestry.

Wednesday, February 4th, 7:30 p.m. —
Conversational Hebrew Course — Vestry.

Friday, February 6th, 8:30 p.m. —
Special Musical Service.

Monday, February 9th, 8:30 p.m. —
Adult Education Symposium — "The Relationship Between American Jewry and the New Judea" — Vestry.

Sisterhood News

On January 20th the Sisterhood had the pleasure of having as its guest speaker, Mrs. Rose L. Halpern, the National President of Hadassah and only American woman on the Jewish Agency for Palestine. Mrs. Halpern discussed the manner in which the U.N. decision might be implemented, the steps leading to Statehood, and the role of *Haganah*. It was a most inspiring afternoon for the Sisterhood.

Mrs. Louis Greenstein, the Sisterhood representative for S.O.S. collections, reports that hundreds of cartons of canned food, new and used clothing, medical supplies, etc. have been shipped abroad through her committee. Please remember that the Synagogue is still a depot for all S.O.S. collections. Don't forget to bring your contribution of canned goods to Sisterhood Birthday Party on Tuesday, February 17th.

Through an oversight this column omitted to mention that the ladies of the Sewing Group headed by Mrs. Esther Friedman, contributed \$50.00 to *Haganah* from their treasury.

The Annual Donor Luncheon and Musicale of the Sisterhood will take place on Wednesday, March 31st, at the Hotel Astor. Do not forget that a sale of the Treasure Chest book is your ticket of admission to this gala event. Since this is the Sisterhood's only fund raising affair of the year the Sisterhood asks for every member's support. Please help to make this luncheon and musicale the brilliant success that it has been in the past.

Births

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Satter on the birth of their son; to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Edelman on the birth of their daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sherman on the birth of their son; to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Seelig on the birth of their son.

THE BULLETIN announces with pleasure that its next issue will contain in full the address which Dr. E. D. Friedman, the new President, made to the annual congregational meeting.

Bar Mitzvahs

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Josephthal on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Daniel, on January 24th.

Marriage

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gross on the marriages of their sons Robert E. to Ruth Koretz and Dr. Jerome to Betty Bloch; to Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Rosenthal on the marriage of their daughter, Ann to Dr. Stanley L. Lee; to Dr. and Mrs. Emanuel Stern on the marriage of their daughter Marjorie Frances to Mr. Cedric Nussbaum on January 9th.

Anniversaries

Best wishes to Dr. and Mrs. Louis Shapiro who celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on January 22nd; to Mr. and Mrs. Asa Sokolow who will celebrate their 5th wedding anniversary on January 31st, and to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Metzger who will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on February 9th.

Deaths

The Synagogue extends its sympathy to Mr. Henry Haber, on the loss of his mother, Mrs. Mollie Haber; to Mrs. Jacob Mark, on the death of her mother; to Mr. Marvin Spiegel, on the loss of his father, Samuel Spiegel; to Mrs. Abraham Gotterer, on the loss of her mother, Mrs. Mary Weisen; to Mrs. Murray Gellette, Mrs. Samuel Rosh and Mrs. Goodman Edelstein, on the loss of their mother, Mrs. Anne Beck; and to the family of Miss Debora Nadworney, a member of the choir, on her death.

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